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In re Patent Application of

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For: SUPPLEMENTARY VASCULAR CLAMP FOR THE TOOL KIT OF AN OPEN
APPROACH STAPLER-----
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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT/SUBMISSION**

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, kindly amend the application as follows:

FEE CALCULATION

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

☒ If checked, "Small Entity" status is claimed.

	NO. CLAIMS AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA PRESENT	RATE	ADDIT. FEE
TOTAL	20	MINUS	* = 0 X	(\$25 SE or \$50)	\$ 0.00
INDEP.	2	MINUS	** = 0 X	(\$100 SE or \$200)	\$ 0.00
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM				X (\$180 SE or \$360)	\$ 0.00
* not less than 20 ** not less than 3					TOTAL \$ 0.00

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SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

1. ☐ If checked, an abstract (an amended abstract) is submitted herewith.
2. ☐ If checked, amendment(s) to the drawings are submitted herewith.
3. ☒ If checked, amendment(s) to the specification are submitted herewith.
4. ☒ If checked, amendments to the claims are submitted herewith.